

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/584,497

Applicant(s)
Kettler

Examiner
Tony Winner

Group Art Unit
3618

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Tony Winner

(3) A. Lerner

(2) John Preta

(4) _____

Date of Interview 2/5/02

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☒ Personal [copy is given to 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☒ Yes e) ☐ No. If yes, brief description:

Selected portion of Kettler's vehicle steering head

Claim(s) discussed: All

Identification of prior art discussed:

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Discussed 35 U.S.C 112 rejection for claims 31, 32, and 58 for indefinite. The examiner found the argument to be persuasive because the specification clearly defined the "rod-like-member". The applicant further clarify the term "fork tube" should not be limited to just a tube, but it should encompass any shaft-like member whether a tube, a solid rod or any equivalents. The examiner has allowed the claims for the reasons as indication in the reason of allowance. Applicant is proposing of adding new claim 59 with most of the limitations of the allowed claims. The office reserves judgement to enter this new claim.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached


TONY WINNER
PATENT EXAMINER

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

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